



U.S. MISSION TO VIETNAM PUBLIC AFFAIRS SECTIONS

ANNOUNCEMENT 2022-2023 GLOBAL UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The U.S. Mission in Vietnam seeks candidates for the 2022-2023 Global Undergraduate Exchange Program (Global UGRAD). College and university students (except seniors) who demonstrate leadership through academic excellence, community involvement, and extracurricular activities, and who have a solid command of English are invited to apply for this program. **The application deadline is Thursday, January 6, 2022.**

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program (Global UGRAD) provides a diverse group of emerging student leaders with a scholarship for one semester of non-degree academic study at a U.S. college or university. Global UGRAD is a program of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State, which aims to recruit participants from underrepresented backgrounds who have not had other opportunities to study in the United States. Successful applicants can expect an in-depth exposure to U.S. society, culture, and academic institutions, as well as opportunities to enhance their professional skills.

All participants will be enrolled in full-time, non-degree, undergraduate coursework chosen from their host institutions' existing curricula. Participants will be required to take one, 3-credit U.S. studies course to enhance their understanding of the United States. Participants will live in campus housing facilities with American peers and will be required to participate in 20 hours of community service. There will also be a virtual arrival orientation and an in-person end-of-program workshop.

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

A candidate's competitiveness will be based on his/her potential to become a student leader through an evaluation of his/her academic performance, community involvement, and extracurricular activities, regardless of field of study, race, religion, or gender.

Candidates who fulfill the following qualifications are invited to apply:

- ❖ Must be at least 18 years of age by the start date of their Global UGRAD Program in the United States;
- ❖ Are currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in Vietnam;
- ❖ Will have completed their first year of undergraduate study by August 2022;
- ❖ Have at least one remaining semester to complete at their universities in Vietnam upon completion of the program in the United States;
- ❖ Achieved at least a 7.5 GPA in the previous semester;
- ❖ Demonstrate a strong command of written and spoken English;
- ❖ Demonstrate strong leadership qualities through academic performance, community involvement, and extracurricular activities;

- ❖ Preference will be given to those who have had little or no experience in the United States; and
- ❖ Committed to return directly to Vietnam after the completion of the program.

HOW TO APPLY?

To apply online, please click [HERE](#) to create an account and start your application for the program. **The application deadline is Thursday, January 6, 2022.** Applications submitted via e-mail, or in hard copy will not be considered.

Application Package: A full and complete Global UGRAD student application package includes the following documents: completed application form, copy of passport bio page, academic transcripts for years of university study (with English translations), two letters of reference (with English translations), and grade equivalence between local grading system and U.S. grading system.

Also, please visit the program website at [UGRAD website](#) for the full program description, program eligibility requirements, a link to the online application, and a link to recorded testimonials from current UGRAD students in the United States.

Applicants studying at a university in northern Vietnam (from Quang Tri province to the north) can send questions regarding the program to:

The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program

Public Affairs Section

U.S. Embassy, 7 Lang Ha, Ba Dinh, Hanoi

Tel: (84) (24) 3850 5000, ext. 6034

Email: DuongHD@state.gov

Applicants studying at a university in southern Vietnam (from Thua Thien-Hue Province to the south) can send questions regarding the program, to:

The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program

Public Affairs Section

United States Consulate General

4 Le Duan, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City.

Tel: (84) (28) 3520 4657

Email: LeMuonTK@state.gov

Deadline for online submissions: **Thursday, January 6, 2022.** Applications submitted after this deadline will not be considered.

Successful candidates will be notified of their awards by May/June 2022.